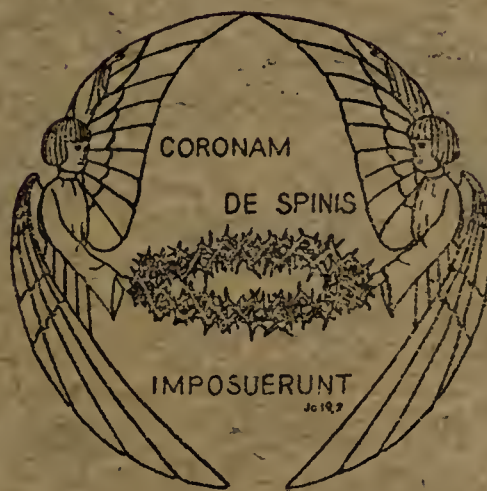




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## PRAYER IS POWER \*\*\* DR. ALEXIS CARREL :

When a theologian writes about prayer, we take it as a matter of fact; but when a scientist discusses prayer, we sit up and take notice. Every student should read the article Prayer is Power by Alexis Carrel, M.D., Reader's Digest, March, 1941. To elicit your interest we shall cite but a few of the outstanding passages from this timely and thought-provoking message.

- " Even our slightest impulse toward prayer has a dynamic, beneficial effect upon our lives."
- " We derive most power from prayer when we use it, not as a petition, but as a supplication that we may become more like Him."
- " Only in prayer do we achieve that complete and harmonious assembly of body, mind and spirit which gives the frail human ~~mind~~ its unshakable strength."
- " True prayer is a way of life; the truest life is literally a way of prayer."
- " The best prayers are like the improvisations of gifted lovers, always ~~about~~ the same thing yet never twice the same."
- " Today, as never before, prayer is a binding necessity in the lives of men and nations. "
- " The lack of emphasis on the religious sense has brought the world to the edge of destruction."

## THOSE LOUNGERS AGAIN :

It is really surprising that some wide-awake business opportunist has not capitalized the idea, a "daven-lounge" for those half-kneeling, half-sitting type of Catholics who insist on draping the pews instead of gracing them. We might turn the idea over to "Puffle Towers" for exploitation.

It seems that at all times, and especially during divine services, the proper decorum and behavior should be observed in the chapel. There is nothing more disconcerting than to see athletically built young men in the ungainly posture of a half-slouch with arms draped over the next fellow's pew. Remember, fellows, that when you enter the chapel, you stand within the portals of the Palace of the King of Kings. Let your etiquette correspond to the majesty and dignity of the Divine Court.

## LENTEN THOUGHTS :

The old adage, " well begun is half done," applies to those earnest young men who have been sacrificing the comforts of the early morning hour to attend Mass and to receive Holy Communion. There may be a tendency to let down as Lent approaches the third week, perhaps even sooner; but, we trust that those who have made such a noble beginning will not be tempted to relax their efforts.

Entering into the true spirit of Lent, a comparatively large number of the students are taking advantage of the spiritual facilities offered by the college. We know that God will richly bless their efforts. We pray that these young men will prove an inspiration to the many faint-hearted who still seem to shy and run at the the very suggestion of the word, sacrifice.

## PRAYERS REQUESTED :

Brother of Dave Clarke (Academy) seriously ill; Grandfather of John Dunn.



## NEWS DIGEST

MEXICO CITY-- As long as article 3 remains in the Mexican Constitution and the education law of 1939 is still in effect, freedom of education is still menaced in Mexico and radical activity could be released at any moment. So warns Antonio Perez-Verdia, President of the National Union of Parents. "Parents who wish to defend freedom of education," he said, "cannot give up the fight at this point or rely on promises."

Emmitsburg, Md.-- The Junior Class of Mt. St. Mary's College here has given the net profit of \$300 realized from the recent Junior prom to the St. Vincent DePaul Society here. The money will be used to distribute food and clothing among the poor.

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- In commemoration of the second anniversary of the coronation of Pope Pius XII, a solemn pontifical Mass will be celebrated in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception at the Cath. U. of America, Wednesday morning, March 12.

BERKELEY, CALIF.-- Police of three cities are wondering what to do about custody in a burglary here. A company's plant is on a plot where three cities' boundaries meet. Thieves threw a stone through a window on the Emeryville side, entered a door on the Berkely side, and walked through Oakland to the office safe in Emeryville. (Register)

ST. LOUIS, MO. The Rev. Martin J. Scott, S.J., who has long wielded his pen in the cause of Catholic Belief and truth, has recently accepted membership in the living Gallery of Catholic Authors.